

## 6. NAMES AUTHORITIES COME IN DIFFERENT SHAPE AND SIZE

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- It can be a board, a council ...
- Centralized national names board:
  - all decisions under one roof
  - by sub-committees: feature types, language ...
- Decentralized to regional names boards
- with central umbrella coordinating authority
- Default if no names board: mostly taken care by national mapping agency
- UN preference: independent board

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